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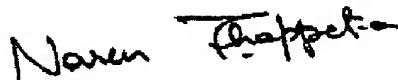
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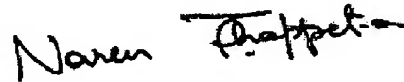
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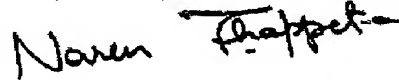
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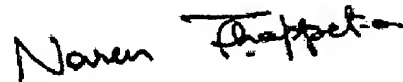
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 03/24/2006 and further to the telephone interview with Examiner Goins on May 9 2006, Applicants submit the following remarks. Applicants and the undersigned representative first wish to thank Examiner Goins for providing the opportunity to conduct the telephone interview.

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No.: 20-0674.

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